

seconded, that a resolution of sympathy be sent to Dr. Ryerson, expressing their heartfelt sorrow for the great loss he had sustained.

We join in expressing our deepest sympathy for Col. Ryerson. Truly he has suffered grievously. His son died bravely on the battlefield, and his wife was foully murdered by the crew of a German submarine.

THE ONTARIO OFFICERS OF HEALTH.

The fourth annual conference of the Provincial Association of Medical Officers of Health opened at the Armories, Peterboro, on 25th May, with an attendance of 125. Dr. W. H. Hall, M.O.H., Chatham, presided.

Dr. J. H. Holbrook, superintendent of the Mountain Sanitarium, Hamilton, read a paper on "The Early Signs of Tuberculosis." He held that while advanced cases seldom infected adults, yet young children were subject to it. Dr. Craig, superintendent of Queen Alexandra Sanitarium, London, spoke on "Tuberculosis Problems from a Health Standpoint." It was a disease of housing and living conditions, contaminated houses being one of the greatest sources of infection. Especial care was needed to insure immunity in establishments where food is prepared or sold.

Dr. Hall, the President, in his annual address, spoke of the reversed conditions of relative healthfulness of city and country. Formerly children were sent to country schools for health. Now, owing to sanitary advance, the children of city schools were healthier than those of the country, city children having the benefit of dental attention and nurses.

Dr. F. W. Schofield, Toronto, dealt with "Anti-Typhoid Vaccination," particularly emphasizing its effectiveness in military camps, as demonstrated in Toronto.

Dr. Hastings, M.O.H., Toronto, spoke of the difficulty of educating public opinion on sanitation. He pointed out the benefits of it in Toronto, where in 1910 the death rate per 100,000 was 40.8, whereas it had been reduced to 7.5 in 1914.

At the evening session, open to the public, the Provincial Board of Health moving pictures were presented, and Dr. H. D. Pease, of Lederle Laboratories, New York, spoke on "The Rational Position on the Food Question."

Dr. C. N. Laurie, of Port Arthur, treated the question, "How Shall we Enforce Better Observance of Quarantine?" In schools, he said, nurses were valuable in preventing concealment of contagious dis-